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Poor Robin, 1731.

A NEW

ALMANACK

After the Old Fashion:

Wherein,

You have the Sign the Moon is in, by the help of which, and consulting the Doctor and your Pocket, (for they must be all in a Mind) you will know when it is proper to let Blood: You have also the Eclipses, with the twelve Houses, the twelve Signs, and a great many Wonders not in other Almanacks.

Being the Third after Bissextile or Leap Year.

Containing a Two-fold Calendar.

Viz. The good Honest Protestant Account, and their Saints Days for your Imitation; and the the New whimsical Foreign Popish Account for your Caution, each in its proper Place.

Written by POOR ROBIN, *Knight of the Burnt Island, a Well-wisher to the Mathematicks.*

We like the honest Bell man, once a year,
Salute your Hands, and ask you all what Cheer?
The Year of seventeen hundred thirty's gone,
And this is seventeen hundred thirty one;
Ere this is out we hope to work for more,
And serve you still as we have done before.

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To the READER

Of whatſoever Age, Sex, Degree or Place, or by whatſoever Titles or Qualifications dignified or diſtinguiſh'd; more eſpecially thoſe that buy our Almanacks; for it is by them that we get Money for our Labour.

Honeſt Chapman,

MONEY *is a kind of a magnifying Glaſs, through which we look at almoſt all our Undertakings; if there is but Money in the Way, one runs, the other rides; one ſails, another dives; one reads, another writes; and all with a view of more intimate Converſation with Madam* Pecunia. *How bold a Man may be, when he can ſay, Sir, I expect to be well ſerved, I owe you nothing? and yet, if every body valued Money, ſome People would not part from it ſo eaſily as they do. The School-boy does not care how little he has for his Money, the Miſer does not care how much; the Lawyer cares not how little he doth for his Money; for there is ſo much if he fires, kill or not kill, no pleading without a Fee, and no Truſt by Retail in their Trade; and we too give Advice to others in many Caſes, though at a cheaper Rate than the Lawyers, and ſometimes more to the Purpoſe; and if you get little, you can loſe nothing by the Advice of*

Your Annual Prognoſticator,

P. R.

	Reign Began.	Reg. year.
W. Conq.	1066	20
William 2	1087	12
Henry 1	1100	35
Stephen	1135	18
Henry 2	1154	35
Richard 1	1189	9
John	1199	17
Henry 3	1216	56
Edward 1	1272	34
Edward 2	1307	19
Edward 3	1326	51
Richard 2	1377	22
Henry 4	1399	13
Henry 5	1412	9
Henry 6	1422	38
Edward 4	1460	22
Edward 5	1483	0
Richard 3	1483	2
Henry 7	1485	23
Henry 8	1509	37
Edward 6	1546	6
Q. Mary	1553	5
Q. Elizab.	1558	44
James 1	1602	22
Charles 1	1625	23
Charles 2	1648	36
James 2	1685	4
Mary 2	1689	6
William 3		13
Q. Anne	1702	12
George I.	1714	13
George II.	1727	

Whom God preserve.

A Race of Proteſtants have paſt the Throne,
A Race of Proteſtants are coming on:
The former in this Table doth appear,
The latter's Birth-days grace the Calendar.
Our preſent King of this Illuſtrious Race,
In both one and the other takes his Place;
We're ſatisfied, nor need we to contend
Who ſhall ſucceed our Rights for to defend.
The Pope when dead, the Papiſts run and fly,
Juſt like Stock-jobbers when South-ſea run high;
To ſtrive to make a Pope, which makes me doubt
Infallibility is quite wore out.

A TABLE of Interest at 5 per Cent.

Pounds. | Shill.

	1 month			3 months			6 months			9 months			a Year.		
	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.
5	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	2	0	2	1	0	3	0
10	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	4	2	0	6	0
15	0	0	3	0	2	1	0	4	2	0	6	3	0	9	0
1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	0	9	0	1	0	0
2	0	2	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	2	0	0
3	0	3	0	0	9	0	1	6	0	2	3	0	3	0	0
4	0	4	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0
5	0	5	0	1	3	0	2	6	0	3	9	0	5	0	0
6	0	6	0	1	6	0	3	0	0	4	6	0	6	0	0
7	0	7	0	1	9	0	3	6	0	5	3	0	7	0	0
8	0	8	0	2	0	0	4	0	0	6	0	0	8	0	0
9	0	9	0	2	3	0	4	6	0	6	9	0	9	0	0

Tens of Pounds.

	po.	sh.	p.	po.	sh.	p	po.	sh.	p.	po.	sh.	p.	po.	sh.	p.
10	0	1	0	0	2	6	0	5	0	0	7	6	0	10	0
20	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	10	0	0	15	0	1	0	0
30	0	3	0	0	7	6	0	15	0	1	2	6	1	10	0
40	0	4	0	0	10	0	1	0	0	1	10	0	2	0	0
50	0	5	0	0	12	6	1	5	0	1	17	6	2	10	0
60	0	6	0	0	15	0	1	10	0	2	5	0	3	0	0
70	0	7	0	0	17	6	1	15	0	2	12	6	3	10	0
80	0	8	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0
90	0	9	0	1	2	6	2	5	0	3	7	6	4	10	0
100	0	10	0	1	5	0	2	10	0	3	15	0	5	0	0

When lawful Interest first was regulated,
And in a just Proportion fairly stated;
Where it in that just Medium doth remain,
The Trader has no reason to complain:
But when th' Oppressor with his griping Claw,
Where e're he once gets hold will not let go:
Devours the Poor without the least Redress;
'Tis such Oppressors that these Laws suppress.

The Aſſize of Bread plain for all Weights.

Town Bakers in Corporations.	By *Troy* Weight having 12 Ounces in a Pound and 20 penny Weight in each of theſe 12 Ounces.						By *Avoirdupoize* (*viz.*) over Weight having 16 Ounces in the Pound our common Weight.						Country Bakers out of Corpora.
Price of Wheat	Penny white			wheaten		houſh.	Pen. white			wheat-en		houſ-hold	Price of Wheat
s.	*d.*	*l.*	*ou.*	*d.*	*l.*	*ou.*	*d.*	*l.*	*ou.*	*d.*	*ou.* *q.*	*ou.* *q.*	*ou.* *q.*	*s.*	*d.*
2	0	1	3	4	1	11	0	2	6	12	17 0	25 1	34 0	2	3
2	3	1	2	2	1	9	2	2	4	4	16 0	23 0	32 0	2	6
2	6	1	1	0	1	7	10	2	2	0	15 0	21 1	30 0	2	9
2	9	1	0	1	1	6	0	2	0	2	13 2	19 3	27 0	3	0
3	0	0	11	5	1	4	18	1	10	10	12 1	18 3	24 2	3	3
3	3	0	10	13	1	3	16	1	9	2	11 2	17 1	23 0	3	6
3	6	0	9	19	1	2	17	1	7	18	11 0	16 1	22 0	3	9
3	9	0	9	8	1	2	2	1	6	16	10 1	15 2	20 2	4	0
4	0	0	8	18	1	1	7	1	5	16	9 3	14 3	19 2	4	3
4	3	0	8	9	1	0	12	1	4	17	9 1	14 0	18 2	4	6
4	6	0	8	2	1	0	0	1	4	2	8 3	13 1	17 2	4	9
4	9	0	7	13	0	11	10	1	3	6	8 1	12 3	16 2	5	0
5	0	0	7	7	0	11	0	1	2	14	8 0	12 0	16 0	5	3
5	3	0	7	1	0	10	10	1	2	1	7 3	11 2	15 2	5	6
5	6	0	6	15	0	10	2	1	1	10	7 2	11 0	15 0	5	9
5	9	0	6	10	0	9	14	1	1	0	7 0	10 2	14 0	6	0
6	0	0	6	5	0	9	6	1	0	10	6 3	10 1	13 2	6	3
6	3	0	6	0	0	9	0	1	0	0	6 2	10 0	13 0	6	6
6	6	0	5	16	0	8	15	0	11	12	6 1	9 2	12 2	6	9
6	9	0	5	12	0	8	9	0	11	2	6 0	9 1	12 1	7	0

If Bakers would be honeſt and be wiſe,
They'd make their Bread to anſwer the Aſſiſe:
But thoſe whoſe Heads on greedy Whims are running,
And leave off being honeſt to be cunning,
Sometimes they're try'd and caſt, and when that's done,
Muſt go to rooſt with wooden Nut-cracks on:
But when theſe muſt to their Preferment go,
The honeſt one's allow'd to ſtay below.

A Chronology of Things memorable to this Year 1731.

Since

THE Creation of the World	5679
Noah's Flood	4034
William the Conqueror	634
The Invention of Guns	440
The Discovery of Printing	281
Paul's Steeple burnt by Lightning	142
Tilbury Camp	141
The Gun-Powder-Plot *Novemb.* 1605	126
The great Duke of *Buckingham* ſtabb'd	103
The long Parliament began *Nov.* 3 1640	91
The Earl of *Strafford* beheaded *May* 12 1641	90
The Fight at *Edge-hill Oct.* 23, and *Brentford Nov.* 12	89
The firſt *Newbury* Fight *September* 20 1643	88
The Fight on *Marſton-Moor June* 2 1644	87
Archbiſhop *Laud* beheaded *Jan.* 10 1645	86
Naſeby bloudy Battle *June* 1 1645	86
King *Charles* the Firſt Martyr'd *Jan.* 30 1648	83
The Fight at *Worceſter September* 12 1651	80
The long Parliament routed out by *Cromwel*	77
Oliver Cromwell died *September* 3 1658	73
The Reſtauration of King *Charles* the Second	71
King *Charles* the Second Crowned *April* 23 1661	70
The laſt great Plague began in *London* 1665	66
London almoſt burnt to the ground *September* 1666	65
The Peace agreed between the *Engliſh* and *Dutch*	57
The great Froſt which continued 13 weeks	47
K. *James* and Q. *Mary* Crowned *April* 23 1685	46
K. *William* and Q. *Mary* Crowned *April* 11 1689	42
Q. *Mary* 2 died 28 *Dec.* 1694 of the ſmall Pox	37
Peace conclud. with *Fr.* and a newRegulat. of Coin	34
King *William* 3d died *March* 8	29
The great Wind *Novemb.* 27	28
The great Victory at *Hocſtet*	27
The Victory at *Ramellies*	26
England and *Scotland* made *Great Britain*	24
Peace concluded with *France*	18
Q. *Anne* died, and K. *George* proclaimed	17
K. *George* I dy'd, and K. *George* II proclaim'd	4

SINCE Coffee and Tea became such a prevailing Liquor, not only amongst the Women, but amongst the Men also 15

Quære, Whether Apoplexies, Convulsions, Vapours, Paralitick and Hysterick Distempers, and even sudden Deaths did not begin to be predominant about the same Time?

The Lady Fashion mightily prevails,
When her Authority the Action seals:
But sure it is a most obliging Nation
Will sacrifice their Lives to be in Fashion:
Or Health at least, for most of Men allow,
If they will speak but freely what they know;
That drinking either Tea or Coffee'l make
By frequent Use the strongest Hand to shake:
And hence farewel your Coffee and your Tea,
For whoso will may drink it all for me:
For that poor simple Stuff I do not care,
Take it who will, give me good Ale or Beer.

Since the Invention of Guns 351
Since the Invention of Printing 271

Quære, Which of the two has done most Mischief, and whether (were our Paper Politicians to be regarded) one would not make Work for the other?

On quite Contraries here Invention runs,
The Soldier finds out Printing, the Monk Guns;
Like Æsop's Trumpeter the Matter stands,
If Printing kill, it kills with others hands.

January hath XXXI Days.

First Quarter the 4 day at 4 in the Morning.
Full Moon the 12 day at 6 in the Morning.
Last Quarter the 20 day at 4 in the Morning.
New Moon the 26 day at 9 at Night.

1	a	Circumcision	feet	If we ſhould nothing have to ſay,
2	b	Oct. Steph.	head	Upon the Approach of New-years day;
3	c	2 aſt. Chriſt.	and	Our Chaps would think we had forgot,
4	d	Oct. Innocent	face	Or elſe would think we mind it not:
5	e	Simeon.	neck	Whereas it anſwers ſeveral Uſes
6	f	Epiphany	throat	New years New New-years Gifts produces.
7	g	Plow day	arms	New New-years Gifts produce new Friends;
8	a	Marcellus	ſhould.	Who in Return to make amends
9	b	Lucian	breaſt	Send New-years Gifts to you a gain,
10	c	3 aſt. Epiph.	and	That this new Friendſhip may remain;
11	d	Agapytes	ſtom.	Though in the Main you have no more,
12	e	Satirus	heart	Than that which was your own before:
13	f	Hilary	back	Yet hereby Friendſhip's propagated,
14	g	Felix	bowels	And Correſpondence animated;
15	a	Maurus	and	And if you give the Poor a piece,
16	b	Kintegern	belly	'Tis ten to one you have no leſs:
17	c	2 aſt. Epiph.	reins	Would Maids be married linger not,
18	d	Priſca V.	loins	If you have Sweet-hearts ready got;
19	e	Woolſton	ſecrets	The thirteenth Day you may begin,
20	f	Pr. Wales b.	ſecrets	For then the Weddings do come in:
21	g	Agnes	ſecrets	But if no Sweet-heart do preſent,
22	a	Vincent	thighs	The Maid had better be content;
23	b	Term begins	hips	For all the married Folk can tell,
24	c	1 aſt. Epiph.	knees	There muſt be two to do it well.
25	d	Conv. S. Paul	hams	
26	e	Polycarp	legs	
27	f	Agnes Sec.	ancles	
28	g	Gedeon	feet	
29	a	Theodore	toes	
30	b	K. C. I. m.	head	
31	c	4 aſt. Epiph	face	

Now Men and Boys do ſlide upon the Ice,
But he that ſlips in once, and ventures twice;
And if he trips his Heels up once again,
Deſerves a broken Noddle for his Pain.

1	New Years Day	8	8	3	52
2	*When New-years day*	8	7	3	53
3	Queen Potter	8	5	3	55
4	*is paſt and gone,*	8	3	3	57
5	*Chriſtmas is with*	8	2	3	58
6	*ſome People done:*	8	0	4	0
7	*But further it*	7	59	4	1
8	Adrian Scroop	7	57	4	3
9	*will ſome extend,*	7	55	4	5
10	*And at Twelfth Day*	7	54	4	6
11	*their Chriſtmas ends.*	7	52	4	8
12	Aug. Garland	7	51	4	9
13	*Some People ſtretch*	7	49	4	11
14	*it further yet,*	7	48	4	12
15	Labour	7	46	4	14
16	*At Candlemas*	7	45	4	15
17	*they finiſh it.*	7	43	4	17
18	*The Gentry carry't*	7	41	4	19
19	Tom. Vanner	7	39	4	21
20	Roger Hodgkins	7	38	4	22
21	St. Agnes	7	36	4	24
22	Leonard Cowler	7	35	4	25
23	Jonas Aires	7	33	4	27
24	*further ſtill,*	7	31	4	29
25	*And finiſh it*	7	29	4	31
26	*juſt when they will:*	7	27	4	33
27	Lazarillo	7	25	4	35
28	*They drink good Wine,*	7	23	4	37
29	*and eat good Cheer,*	7	22	4	38
30	*And keep their Chriſt*	7	20	4	40
31	*mas all the year.*	7	18	4	42

Now Feaſting is pretty much in faſhion, ſome to end up the old year, and ſome to begin the new: They that abound with Money, Victuals and Drink, may find pretences enough for feaſting, and if you are equally qualified to make returns, it is enough to make you a Companion, if not a Couſin or Relation; but it often (though not always) happens, that if the world frowns, it quite eclipſes the relation, and perhaps the acquaintance too, under a pretence of Idleneſs or Extravagancy. The beſt way to be valued is to have ſomething of your own when other people go to victuals; for if you laugh, your friends will laugh with you; but if you cry, you may cry by your ſelf.

February hath XXVIII Days.

First Quarter the 2 day at 6 at Night.
Full Moon the 10 day at Midnight.
Last Quarter the 18 day at 4 Afternoon.
New Moon the 25 day at 7 in the Morning.

M.D.	W.D.	Saints Days	The Sign	Remarks
1	D	Bridget	neck	
2	E	Candlemas	throat	If Maidens willingly would wed,
3	F	Blaze	arms	And have no Sweet-hearts ready made:
4	G	Veronica	and	Or if they have but one or two,
5	A	Agathy	ſhould	And humbly think that will not do:
6	B	Dorothy	breaſt	Or if they ſee they cannot find,
7	C	ſ aſt. Epiph.	ſtom.	Amongſt them all one to their Mind:
8	D	ucius	heart	If ſhe can fairly, let her ſtay,
9	E	Appoloni a	and	For Valentine's the fourteenth day,
10	F	Scholaſtica	back	Perhaps her Valentine may chance
11	G	Euphroſina	bowels	To give an artificial Glance:
12	A	Term ends	belly	To ſmite his heart and make him feel,
13	B	Woolfrank	reins	Valentine Day
14	C	Septuageſima	and	The force of Cupid's bow of ſteel.
15	D	Fauſtinus	loins	And have no reſt till he muſt bring,
16	E	Julian	ſecret	A pair of Gloves, or ſome fine thing.
17	F	Timothy	memb.	And being introduc'd he's ſmit,
18	G	Concordia	thighs	And from the Bargain cannot get:
19	A	Sabine	hips	He courts her love, ſhe gives conſent,
20	B	Mildred	knees	And to be married both content.
21	C	Sexageſima	hams	
22	D	Peters Chain	legs	If weather ſerve, and if you pleaſe
23	E	Polycarp	ancles	You now may ſow your Beans and Peaſe;
24	F	S Matthias	feet	But if the Weather is not dry,
25	G	Victorine	toes	You may put off till by and by.
26	A	Neſtor	head	
27	B	Oſwald	face	
28	C	Shrove Sund.	neck	

Obſervations on February.

With Snow that falls on Tops of Hills,
The bluſtring Wind the Valley fills;
Which melts, and fills the Holes, and will
Make February fill-dike ſtill.

M. D.	Sinners	Sun Riſe.	Sun Set.	Obſervations
1	Jane Shore	7 16	4 44	
2	James Naylor	7 14	4 46	
3	Mary Martin	7 12	4 48	Chriſtmas begins now to be over with every body and as the Days grow a little longer the Evenings will be too ſhort to play at Cards; and therefore Gameſters will leave off Childrens Play, and go to throw at Cocks. Now young Men and Maids chuſe Valentines, which ſome of them think to love but for a day or two in jeſt; but ſometimes blind Cupid comes in with a back hand tip, and ſmites them in earneſt, and it becomes a Wedding; and then of what Money they have got, there is ſome for the Parſon to marry them, ſome for the Fidler to play, and by and by ſome for the Midwife, and ſome for the Parſon for a Chriſtning; and whoever truſts, the Parſon and the Lawyer is for ready Money.
4	Damaris Page	7 10	4 50	
5	Rant. roar. Willy	7 8	4 52	
6	*If it the ſecond Day*	7 6	4 54	
7	*ſhould rain,*	7 4	4 56	
8	*There's plenty of*	7 2	4 58	
9	*all ſorts of Grain.*	7 0	5 0	
10	Appoloni	6 58	5 2	
11	Marſhal	6 56	5 4	
12	Gregory Clement	6 54	5 6	
13	*Now Nell a Valen-*	6 52	5 8	
14	Valentine	6 50	5 10	
15	*tining goes,*	6 48	5 12	
16	*To meet Companions*	6 46	5 14	
17	Jane Cromwel	6 44	5 16	
18	*that ſhe knows;*	6 42	5 18	
19	*And ſometimes doth*	6 40	5 20	
20	*a Richard find,*	6 38	5 22	
21	*To make a Dick*	6 36	5 24	
22	*unto her Mind.*	6 34	5 26	
23	*The Term goes out*	6 31	5 29	
24	*and Lent comes in,*	6 29	5 31	
25	*And Lawyers faſt-*	6 27	5 33	
26	*Days doth begin.*	6 25	5 35	
27	Dick the Cobler	6 23	5 37	
28	Morgan the Taylor	6 21	5 39	

March hath XXXI Days.

First Quarter the 4 day at Noon.
Full Moon the 12 day at 4 Afternoon.
Last Quarter the 20 day at 1 in the Morning.
New Moon the 26 day at 5 Afternoon.

1	D	[illegible]	neck	Now February's gone and past,
2	e	[illegible]	throat	And blustring March is come at last:
3	f	[illegible]	arms	Some say the first Month of the year,
4	g	Adrian	should.	And only time to brew March Beer.
5	a	Eusebius	breast	Since every Month in all the Spring,
6	b	Fridiline	stom.	Some Comfort to the Maids doth bring:
7	C	☉ Sun. in Lent	heart	The two last Months St. Agne's Fast,
8	D	Cyprian	and	And also Valentine is past:
9	e	Martyr	back	And in this Month comes Pancake Day,
10	f	Alexander	bowels	Maids have an Afternoon to play;
11	g	Quivion	belly	Or see their Friends, or take a Walk.
12	a	Gregory B	reins	Or about Matrimony talk:
13	b	Theodore	and	Or see her Sweet-heart by the by,
14	C	2 Sun. in Lent	loins	If she has 'ere a one to see.
15	D	Longinus	secret	It is a proper Season now,
16	e	Boniface	memb.	Your Barley Oats and Pease to sow;
17	f	Patrick	thighs	And when you have your Barley sown,
18	g	Concord	hips	And let it stand till fully grown:
19	a	Joseph	knees	And ripe, and reap'd, and Malt being made,
20	b	Cuthbert	hams	And brew'd, and to the Cask convey'd:
21	C	3 Sun. in Lent	legs	From thence make all your Bottles full;
22	D	Paulinms	and	Which tightly cork'd and standing cool;
23	e	Theodore	ancles	You have a Bottle at Command,
24	f	Agap.	feet	To serve your self, or treat your Friend.
25	g	Lady Day	toes	
26	a	Castorius	head	
27	b	Martian	face	
28	C	4 Sun. in Lent	neck	
29	D	Eustace	throat	
30	e	Guido	hams	
31	f	Adelme	should.	

Now Egg, and Bacon if you fry,
And drink good Beer when you are dry:
With Fritters, Pancakes, Flawns and Tanſies,
Suit very well to Peoples Fancies.

1	Wolſh Taffy	6	19	5 41
2	Pancake day	6	17	5 43
3	Fork Cocks	6	15	5 45
4	*St. Taffy is*	6	13	5 47
5	*no ſooner gone,*	6	11	5 49
6	*But Pancake day*	6	9	5 51
7	*is coming on:*	6	6	5 54
8	*Now eat your fill,*	6	4	5 56
9	*drink if you're dry,*	6	2	5 58
10	*For Lent comes on*	6	0	6 0
11	*immediately.*	5	58	6 2
12	*Now Days exceed the*	5	56	6 4
13	*Nights in length,*	5	53	6 7
14	*And Titan's Heat im-*	5	51	6 9
15	*proves in Strength.*	5	49	6 11
16	Cambry Beſs	5	47	6 13
17	James Sheppard	5	45	6 15
18	Blaraxine	5	43	6 17
19	Wil. Hewlett	5	41	6 19
20	Madam Cromwell	5	39	6 21
21	*He's a bad Tenant*	5	37	6 23
22	*runs away,*	5	35	6 25
23	*Better that juſtly*	5	33	6 27
24	*Rent doth pay:*	5	31	6 29
25	St. Quarter Day	5	28	6 32
26	*But beſt that comes*	5	26	6 34
27	*at Quarter Day.*	5	24	6 36
28	Commiſſioners of Sewers	5	22	6 38
29	Lady Wheeler.	5	20	6 40
30	The borrowing	5	18	6 42
31	Days.	5	16	6 44

The beginning of March is like to be a buſy Time with thoſe who claim a prerogative in Saint Monday; for that happens to be the firſt day of the Month, and the Shoemakers and others of St. Monday's Regiment are likely to be a part of the poſſe to ſee Taffy executed; which when they have done, and left him as dead as they found him, the fatigue of the execution requires a little drink; and having thus ſpent Monday, neither in idleneſs, nor induſtry, the next day is Shrove Tueſday, then home to eat Pancakes; thence to Moorfields to throw at Cocks: And laſtly to the Alehouſe to ſee a Cock fight, where the owner of the Cocks are almoſt as great Men as the Cocks themſelves; till having kill'd their Cocks, and loſt their Money, come home as quiet as Lambs.

April hath XXX Days.

First Quarter the 3 day at 7 in the Morning.
Full Moon the 11 day at 6 in the Morning.
Last Quarter the 18 day at 7 in the Morning.
New Moon the 25 day at 4 in the Morning.

1	g	Theodore	breast	Now comes the Spring when bitter Pills,
2	a	Mary	and	Help to eke out the Doctors bills;
3	b	Richard	ſtom.	And 'tis no wonder times are hard,
4	C	5 Sun. in Lent	heart	If ſome Men's Practice were compar'd:
5	D	Vincent	back	Who to the Tavern firſt muſt go
6	e	Egyſippus	bowels	To have a Gill of Wine or ſo;
7	f	Perpetuus	and	In that a Drop of Bitter's good,
8	g	Dionyſius	belly	To ſweeten the whole Maſs of
9	a	Procher	reins	Blood:
10	b	Eſchilus	loins	Though that was what at firſt
11	C	6 Sun. in Lent	ſecret	they aim'd,
12	D	Julian	memb.	Yet drink till all their Blood's
13	e	Zenon	thighs	enflam'd
14	f	Tiburtius	and	Perhaps a Surfeit may enſue,
15	g	Olympia	hips	To make the Head and Heart ach
16	a	Good Friday	knees	too:
17	b	Coſmie	hams	Then they do murmur and repine,
18	C	Easter Day	legs	Too little Money, too much Wine.
19	D	Easter Mond.	ancles	But that's not all, when thus per-
20	e	Easter Tueſ.	feet	plex'd,
21	f	Benedict	toes	The learned Doctor muſt be next;
22	g	Emanuel	head	To bring ſome Stuff to do him
23	a	St. George	face	good,
24	b	Wilfride	neck	To cheer the Heart and cool the
25	C	Low Sunday	throat	Blood.
26	D	Cletus	arms	St. Mark Evangeliſt
27	e	Anaſtaſius	and	The Tavern Shot being paid be
28	f	Dorothy	ſhould.	fore,
29	g	Sybil	breaſt	The Doctor's Bill is thre times
30	a	Erkenwald	ſtom.	more.
				Who conſtantly this Courſe doth drive,
				No Wonder if they do not thrive.

Obſervations on April.

Fine *April* Showers are falling now,
To make the nice young Sallads grow;
And fine young Lamb is noble Sauce,
To Sallad every body knows.

1	All Fools Day	5	14	6	46
2	*Who are made Fools*	5	12	6	48
3	*of once or twice,*	5	10	6	50
4	*If catch'd again, and*	5	8	6	52
5	*make it thrice,*	5	6	6	54
6	*Should take their*	5	4	6	56
7	*Freedom up and go,*	5	2	6	58
8	Daniel Treulon	5	0	7	0
9	*To keep a Shop*	4	58	7	2
10	*in All-Fools Row.*	4	56	7	4
11	Fryer Bacon	4	54	7	6
12	Long Megg	4	52	7	8
13	Gilbert Willington	4	50	7	10
14	*To take away*	4	49	7	11
15	*a little Blood,*	4	47	7	13
16	*May cool your Veins,*	4	45	7	15
17	*and do you good.*	4	43	7	17
18	John Barkſted	4	41	7	19
19	Miles Corbet	4	39	7	21
20	John Okey	4	37	7	23
21	Pacalot	4	36	7	24
22	Patient Griſſel.	4	34	7	26
23	S. Geo. for England	4	32	7	28
24	*Now is the fine*	4	30	7	30
25	*and pleaſant Spring,*	4	28	7	32
26	*The Cuckow cryes,*	4	27	7	33
27	*and birds do ſing.*	4	25	7	35
28	Tom tell Truth	4	23	7	37
29	John Rathbone	4	21	7	39
30	Long Megg	4	20	7	40

There is an old proverb in antique verſe, viz.

March borrow'd of April three Days and
they were ill,
They kill'd three Lambs
were playing on a hill.

But it is diſputed amongſt thoſe experienc'd Prognoſticators, who carry Almanacks in their ſhoes, and foretel weather by the aching of their Corns, or the itching of their Elbows; whether theſe borrowing days be the three laſt days of March, or the three firſt of April. Now Eaſter holidays are come, and young Men and Maids go a walking, talking, courting, loving, which often ends in marrying; which is a commencement of a leaſe upon lives, and ſeldom both live to ſee it expired.

First Quarter the 3 day at 1 in the Morning.
Full Moon the 10 day at 5 Afternoon.
Last Quarter the 17 day at 1 Afternoon.
New Moon the 24 day at 4 Afternoon.

1	U	St. Phil. & Ja.	heart
2	☾	2 after Easter	and
3	D	Helen	back
4	e	Chriſtopher	bowels
5	f	Term begins	belly
6	g	Jo. Port Lat.	reins
7	a	Sixtus	loins
8	b	Gregory	ſecrets
9	☾	3 after Easter	ſecrets
10	D	Gordianus	ſecrets
11	e	Leo P.	thighs
12	f	Pancratius	hips
13	g	Servatius	knees
14	a	Iſidore	hams
15	b	Sophia	legs
16	☾	4 after Easter	ancles
17	D	Dunſtan	feet
18	e	Potentius	toes
19	f	Bernard	head
20	g	Urbanus	face
21	a	Julian	neck
22	b	William	and
23	☾	Rogat. Sund.	throat
24	D	Adeline	arms
25	e	Urban	ſhould
26	f	Bede	breaſt
27	g	Aſcenſion day	ſtom.
28	a	Edward	heart
29	b	K. C. 2 B. & R.	and
30	☾	6 after Easter	back
31	D	Term ends	bowels

Three Things of Conſequence there are,
Which doth require our greateſt Care.
Firſt what Work we ſhould undertake,
That may to us ſome Profit make:
For if we nothing have to do,
Money comes in but very ſlow;
And when the Money we have got,
Take care how we do lay it out:
For Cloth two Guineas every Yard,
Will lie upon us very hard.
When five half Crowns for every Ell,
May ſerve the Purpoſe very well.
And laſtly when your Work is o're,
And you intend to work no more,
Take Care let your Diverſion be,
What with your Pocket may agree:
For at this Rate 'twill hold the longer,
And always keep the Pocket ſtronger.
Now Lent is out and Term is in,
Whoever loſe, the Lawyers win;
And who do Jack-on-both ſides play,
Are one Way ſure to win the Day.

If you would live to a good Age,
With Bread and Butter eat some Sage
For Breakfast, but at Dinner-time,
On good roast Lamb and Sallad dine.

1	*A little Purge,*	4 18	7 42	Sweethearts have now
2	*a little Bleeding*	4 17	7 43	had as long a Vacation
3	*If you've had too*	4 15	7 45	by Weddings being out,
4	*delicious feeding.*	4 14	7 46	as sometimes the Law-
5	William Hone.	4 12	7 48	yers have by the Term
6	*But do not purge*	4 11	7 49	being out; and, which
7	*so much at once,*	4 10	7 50	seem'd very unlucky,
8	*To purge your Flesh*	4 8	7 52	Marriage went out just
9	*from off your Bones.*	4 7	7 53	on *Valentine*-Day, and they
10	Tom. Pride.	4 6	7 54	that began to court
11	*For when your Bacon*	4 4	7 56	then, could not marry of
12	*once is gone,*	4 3	7 57	ten Weeks afterwards;
13	*'Twill take some time*	4 1	7 59	in all which Time to be
14	*of laying on.*	4 0	8 0	sure, the Parson parti-
15	Gilbert	3 59	8 1	cipates of the Penury,
16	Abel Thin	3 58	8 2	but there is an *Always*
17	Christopher Layer	3 57	8 3	*provided* for him, for you
18	*Who fall to Treason*	3 56	8 4	may have a License to
19	John Fry	3 55	8 5	marry with when Wed-
20	Will. Goff	3 53	8 7	ding is out; and tho it
21	*and to Plot,*	3 52	8 8	is so chargeable that not
22	*Come often off*	3 51	8 9	half so many marry at
23	*with riding Knot.*	3 50	8 10	that Time, yet every
24	Jonathan Wild and	3 49	8 11	Wedding costs twice as
25	Philotheoros the	3 48	8 12	much; so that take the
26	Indian Printer.	3 47	8 13	middle and both ends, it
27	*The Proverb is,*	3 46	8 14	brings in the same Mo
28	*Birds of a feather*	3 45	8 15	ney, and with this Ad-
29	*Most frequently*	3 44	8 16	vantage, that there is
30	*do flock together.*	3 44	8 16	not half the Work.
31	John Downs	3 43	8 17	

Firſt Quarter the 1 day at 9 at Night.
Full Moon the 9 day at 2 in the Morning.
Laſt Quarter the 15 day at 6 in the Afternoon.
New Noon the 23 day at 6 in rhe Morning.

1	e	Romwald	belly
2	f	Marcelline	reins
3	g	Petrori	and
4	a	Boniface	loins
5	b	Claudius	ſecrets
6	c	Whit-ſunday	ſecrets
7	d	Whit-mond.	thighs
8	e	Whit-tueſ.	hips
9	f	Tranſ. Ed.	knees
10	g	Onuphrius	hams
11	a	S. Barnabas	legs
12	b	Cyril	ancles
13	c	Trin. Sund.	feet
14	d	Rowald	toes
15	e	K. Geo. 2. Pr.	head
16	f	Peregrine	and
17	g	Botolph	face
18	a	Term begins	neck
19	b	Gervas	throat
20	c	Laſt Trin.	arms
21	d	Walbourg	ſhould.
22	e	Alba Prot.	breaſt
23	f	Etheldred	and
24	g	S. John Bap.	ſtom.
25	a	Amphibolus	heart
26	b	Jeremias	back
27	c	Laſt Trin.	bowels
28	d	Leo.	and
29	e	S. Peter Ap.	belly
30	f	Dorothy	reins

There are two Seaſons of the Year,
'Tis very good to drink ſtrong Beer;
Or which is better, if you can,
'Tis very good to drink a Dram,
Either of Brandy or of Rum,
Or what elſe in your way doth come.
Or Aniſeed, or Citron Water,
Or which of them it is no matter.
In Summer time they ſay 'tis good,
To dry up Sweat, and cool the Blood.

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And furthermore if you are hot,
At which time Surfeits oft are got;
Which after might make you repent it,
A Dram is uſeful to prevent it.
And in cold Weather all allow,
'Tis good to take a Dram or two;
To cheer the Heart and warm the Blood,
And for to do the Body good.
Tho ſome will ſay, a pot of Beer
Is better any time of th' Year,
And that its warmth will longer hold
To fence the Body from the cold.
If I could have my Choice, then I
Would have them both, 'tis good to try.

Brave Wal-fleet Oyſters now are gone,
And fine freſh Mackrel's coming on;
And when the Mackrel doth appear,
Be ſure green Peaſe are very near.

1	Argyle	3	42	8	18
2	*Now comes the time*	3	42	8	18
3	*to make your Hay,*	3	42	8	18
4	*Make much of every*	3	41	8	19
5	*Sun-ſhine Day.*	3	41	8	19
6	Simon Meyne	3	41	8	19
7	*For 'tis beſt done*	3	41	8	19
8	*this time of Year,*	3	41	8	19
9	*When Days are long*	3	41	8	19
10	Perkin the Tyler	3	41	8	19
11	*and Weather clear.*	3	41	8	19
12	Muggleton	3	41	8	19
13	John Styles	3	41	8	19
14	Sir Harry Vane	3	41	8	19
15	Flying Serpent	3	41	8	19
16	*Who briskly work*	3	41	8	19
17	*at making Hay,*	3	41	8	19
18	*Deſerve at Chriſtmas*	3	41	8	19
19	*for to play.*	3	42	8	18
20	*But they that idly*	3	42	8	18
21	*take their reſt,*	3	42	8	18
22	*Deſerve to faſt*	3	43	8	17
23	*when others feaſt.*	3	43	8	17
24	*Now Term is in,*	3	44	8	16
25	*the Clients Gold*	3	45	8	15
26	*Doth make the cun-*	3	46	8	14
27	*ning Lawyer bold,*	3	47	8	13
28	*When of the Guineas*	3	47	8	13
29	Haberdaſhers Hall	3	48	8	12
30	*he takes hold.*	3	49	8	11

Now Whitſun-holidays come on, and as it happens in the Summer time, abundance of People will take a Ride, ſome in their Coach or Chaiſe, or they that have neither, ride out on Horſeback; and again, they that have neither Chaiſe nor Horſe walk out on foot; or if they muſt ride, may go to the wooden Machines in *Moorfields*, and ride there with this Advantage, that if they ſtay late in the Evening they have never the further home for all their riding; and ſome that have been troubled with itching Fingers, and cry'd ſtand when they ſhould have ſaid go, will take a Ride to *Tyburn*, and ride ſo long there that they will never ſee the way back again.

First Quarter the 1 day at 9 in the Morning.
Full Moon the 8 day at 9 in the Morning.
Last Quarter the 15 day at 1 in the Morning.
New Moon the 22 day at 9 at Night.
First Quarter the 30 day at 10 at Night.

1	g	Theobald	loins	
2	a	Visit. V. M.	secrets	Those Poets that do Verses write,
3	b	Ashton	secrets	Or in such Studies do delight;
4	c	East. Trin.	secrets	To use gross Breakfasts they should not,
5	d	Nicostral	thighs	For now the Weather's very hot.
6	e	Hector	hips	Milk Porredge is a thing too dull,
7	f	Tho. Becket	knees	Learn ends.
8	g	Chylian	hams	For them to eat a Belly full.
9	a	Cyril	legs	Too phlegmatick for Poets use,
10	b	7 Brethren	ancles	No bright Ideas they produce.
11	c	East. Trin.	feet	But if you would write Verses well,
12	d	Felix & Nab	toes	That other Peoples may excel.
13	e	Margaret	head	A Glass of Wine or two at most,
14	f	Bonavent.	face	And in the same a bit of Toast;
15	g	Swithen	neck	And to the same a bit of Cheese,
16	a	Osmond	throat	'Twill whet the Fancy by degrees;
17	b	Alexius	arms and	And make an Air appear more bright,
18	c	East. Trin.	should	In every Sentence you do write.
19	d	Dog days b.	breast	The Husbandmen have more to do,
20	e	Margaret	stom.	Than many of the Lawyers now.
21	f	Praxades	heart	The Farmer's Harvest's coming on,
22	g	Mary Magd.	and	The Lawyer's Harvest's past and gone.
23	a	Apollinarius	back	The Farmer only reaps his own,
24	b	Christiana	bowels	Or what himself has plow'd, and sown.
25	c	East. Trin.	belly	S. James Apostle
26	d	S. Anne	reins	The Lawyer makes ('tis but a jest)
27	e	Martha	and	One Harvest out of all the rest.
28	f	J. of Armath.	loins	
29	g	Beatrice	secrets	
30	a	Abdon	secrets	
31	b	Germane		

At this time is Midſummer Moon,
And Dog-days are a coming on;
The People ſay it is not good,
To Purge, or Vomit, or let Blood.

1	Aſcapart	3	50	8	10	
2	Fran. Challoner	3	51	8	9	
3	*For Men that have*	3	52	8	8	There is this Month an
4	*good Sweethearts got*	3	53	8	7	Oppoſition of Jupiter and
5	*Altho the Weather's*	3	54	8	6	the Moon, whether it pre-
6	*very hot,*	3	56	8	4	dict any thing new is not
7	*Yet if he have*	3	57	8	3	certain, but ſomething
8	*a mind to have her,*	3	58	8	2	true we may expect: for
9	Edmund Ludlow	3	59	8	1	after the twentieth Day,
10	*He'd better marry*	4	0	8	0	the Miſers will love Mo-
11	*now than never.*	4	2	7	58	ney ſo well, that they had
12	*But if ſhe is*	4	3	7	57	rather take five Pound
13	*a ſcolding Slut,*	4	4	7	56	than pay one; like the
14	*And one that has*	4	6	7	54	Preſident of *Langum*, who
15	*no Money got,*	4	7	7	53	when any body brings him
16	*Conſidering all*	4	8	7	52	Money, it is your moſt
17	*'tis ten to one,*	4	10	7	50	humble Servant; but come
18	*She had be better*	4	11	7	49	to dun him, he ſheers off,
19	*let alone.*	4	12	7	48	and if you hale him, it
20	John Dixon	4	14	7	46	muſt be under the Quar-
21	*Juſt now comes on*	4	15	7	45	ter, where you ſee as much
22	*St.* James's *Tide,*	4	17	7	43	of his Face as appears like
23	*The Taffies on*	4	18	7	42	the Moon at four or five
24	*their Keffyls ride,*	4	20	7	40	Days old: but 'tis thoſe
25	*Up Cheek by Choul*	4	22	7	38	that pay as freely as take,
26	*to* Briſtol *Fair,*	4	23	7	37	and do a Favour as freely
27	*To change their Mo-*	4	25	7	35	as receive one, that are
28	*ney for good Ware.*	4	27	7	33	to be valued in a Com-
29	Robert Tichborn	4	28	7	32	munity.
30		4	30	7	30	
31		4	32	7	28	

Full Moon the 6 Day, at 5 in the Afternoon.
Laſt Quarter the 13 Day, at 11 before Noon.
New Moon the 21 Day, at 1 in the Afternoon.
Firſt Quarter the 29 Day, at 9 in the Morning.

1	☾	7 aft. Trin.	thighs
2	d	Cyrianus	hips
3	e	Dominicus	knees
4	f	Ariſtarchus	hams
5	g	Oſwald	legs
6	a	Sixtus	ancles
7	b	Victrice	feet
8	☾	8 aft. Trin.	toes
9	d	Romanus	head
10	e	St. Lawrence	face
11	f	Gilbert B.	neck
12	g	Elphege	throat
13	a	Zenon	arms
14	b	Euſebius	and
15	☾	9 aft. Trin.	ſhould.
16	d	Rochus	breaſt
17	e	Mammes	ſtom.
18	f	Helena	heart
19	g	Sabaldes	and
20	a	Severinus	back
21	b	Paternus	bowels
22	☾	10 aft. Trin.	belly
23	d	Donatus	reins
24	e	S. Bartholom.	and
25	f	Lewes	loins
26	g	Aurenius	ſecrets
27	a	Auguſtinus	ſecrets
28	b	Dog days end.	thighs
29	☾	11 aft. Trin.	hips
30	d	Gaudentia	knees
31	e	Paulinus	hams

Lammas Day.

The Lawyers now muſt be content,
To live as if they did keep Lent;
Except they did as Badgers do,
Lay up ſome Greaſe to live on now.
No doubt but ſome the ſame did mind,
And that ſome of their Clients find,
Makes ſome of them afraid to go,
Again to be involv'd in Law.
For with all *England*, take in *Wales*,
This Rule I'll venture never fails,
Where one that has been bit before,
Will chuſe to venture any more;
There's twenty will contented reſt,
And ſay the firſt Loſs is the beſt.

Aſſump. Virgin Mary.

The Doctors Lent is alſo now,
Becauſe they little have to do;
The Dog-days have Embargo laid
Upon the Current of their Trade.
Their Powders, Pills, and letting Blood,
We think in Dog-days are not good.
But they but for a while remain,
Then Doctors go to work again;
For now the latter Spring takes place,
And Pills and Powders work apace.

Now thoſe that Work, and Blow, and Pant, and Sweat,
Prefer good Drink before the beſt of Meat;
Yet when they cool, and take a little reſt,
They think that both together is the beſt.

1	Hudibras	4	34	7 26
2	*Now riſe betimes*	4	36	7 24
3	*your Harveſt ply,*	4	38	7 22
4	Robin Lilburn	4	40	7 20
5	*To reap the Corn*	4	41	7 19
6	*while Weather's dry,*	4	43	7 17
7	*Your Peaſe and Beans*	4	45	7 15
8	*your Oats and Rye,*	4	47	7 13
9	*And Wheat to make*	4	48	7 12
10	*good Chriſtmas Pye.*	4	50	7 10
11	Luke Robinſon.	4	52	7 8
12	*Your Oats for Horſes*	4	54	7 6
13	*to provide,*	4	56	7 4
14	*To make them ſtrong*	4	58	7 2
15	*and fit to ride.*	5	0	7 0
16	*Your Hogs let with*	5	2	6 58
17	*good Peaſe be fed,*	5	4	6 56
18	*To make good Pork*	5	6	6 54
19	*when they are dead.*	5	8	6 52
20	*Your Barley ſhould*	5	10	6 50
21	Laird Warreſton.	5	12	6 48
22	John Downs.	5	14	6 46
23	*not be neglected,*	5	16	6 44
24	Smithfield Fair.	5	18	6 42
25	*By it great wonders*	5	20	6 40
26	*are effected;*	5	22	6 38
27	*It makes good Malt*	5	24	6 36
28	Farewel Dog-days.	5	26	6 34
29	*& Malt makes drink,*	5	28	6 32
30	*Wch cheers the heart*	5	30	6 30
31	*as Poets think.*	5	32	6 28

Towards the latter end of this Month there will be more People in *Smithfield* than in *Weſtminſter-Hall*, Jack Pudding and Harlequin telling Stories in Jeſt to get Money in Earneſt; and have much better luck than thoſe who while they are making a play Day, loſe one half of their Money at Gaming, and have the other half pick'd out of their Pocket: ſuch People are in more danger of going home mad than drunk; and it is hard to ſay which of the two looks more like a Fool, he that wants Wit, or he that has ſo fooliſhly been bubbled out of his Money.

Full Moon the 5 Day, at 7 in the Morning.
Laſt Quarter the 11 Day, at Midnight.
New Moon the 20 Day, at 5 in the Morning.
Firſt Quarter the 27 Day, at 6 in the Evening.

1	f	Giles Abbot	knees
2	g	London burnt	legs
3	a	Theodore	ancles
4	b	Theodoſius	feet
5	c	12 aft. Trin.	toes
6	d	Magnus	head
7	e	Regina	face
8	f	Nat. V. M.	neck
9	g	Gorgon	throat
10	a	Soſthenes	arms
11	b	Theobald	ſhould.
12	c	13 aft. Trin.	breaſt
13	d	Marcus	and
14	e	Holyrood	ſtom.
15	f	Nicodemus	heart
16	g	Euphemia	back
17	a	Lambert	bowels
18	b	Victor	and
19	c	14 aft. Trin.	belly
20	d	Fauſta	reins
21	e	S. Matthew	loins
22	f	Maurice	ſecrets
23	g	Tecla	ſecrets
24	a	Rupert	thighs
25	b	Cleophas	and
26	c	15 aft. Trin.	hips
27	d	Cos & Dam	knees
28	e	Winceſlaus	hams
29	f	S. Michael	legs
30	g	Jerome	ancles

Whene'er we enter on *September*,
It gives occaſion to remember
The horrid Fire in Sixty ſix,
With others of their Popiſh tricks,
Who did by Villany conſpire,
To ſet our City all on fire.
'Tis hard to take ſuch Peoples word,
Who Converts make with Fire and Sword,
Whoſe ſofteſt tender Mercies be
The Quinteſſence of Cruelty.
May wandring Sheep, who from the Shepherd go
To feed with Wolves, when they the danger know,
And how they are advancing to their ruin,
Be well convinc'd of what they are a doing.
Now is the time, the Seaſon comes,
For Oyſters, Apples, Pears and Plums.
But when the Oyſters go about,
The Mackerel time is quite wore out.
But if you take the Year around,
Some nice thing's always to be found.

Now glittering Sol doth more and more decline,
And now doth croſs the Equinoctial Line;
The Nights do then exceed the Days in length,
The Heat abates, and Cold doth gather ſtrength.

1	Oliver Snoul	5	35	6	25
2	Tyburn	5	37	6	23
3	St. Hubert	5	39	6	21
4	*This Month the Far-*	5	41	6	19
5	*mer ought to ply,*	5	43	6	17
6	*The ſowing of his*	5	45	6	15
7	*Wheat and Rye.*	5	47	6	13
8	*For if he lets*	5	49	6	11
9	Gregory Norton	5	51	6	9
10	*that Buſineſs drop,*	5	53	6	7
11	*He'll next year have*	5	56	6	4
12	*a ſorry Crop.*	5	58	6	2
13	Nero	6	0	6	0
14	Cornelius Holland	6	2	5	58
15	Julian Apoſtate	6	4	5	56
16	*Now Summers ſultry*	6	6	5	54
17	*heat decays,*	6	9	5	51
18	*And Nights grow*	6	11	5	49
19	*longer than the Days.*	6	13	5	47
20	Jack Bradſhaw.	6	15	5	45
21	*The Farmer that*	6	17	5	43
22	*has rais'd his Rent,*	6	19	5	41
23	*May go to Bed*	6	21	5	39
24	*and ſleep content.*	6	23	5	37
25	*For in a Week*	6	25	5	35
26	*comes Quarter-day,*	6	27	5	33
27	*A lucky time your*	6	29	5	31
28	*Rent to pay.*	6	31	5	29
29	St. Quarter Day	6	33	5	27
30	Holy Maid	6	35	5	25

This Month the Landlords have the advantage of the Lawyers, for tho they have each of them four Terms every Year, yet the Lawyers have never a one this Month, but the Landlords have, and are telling over the Tenants Money, while the Lawyer ſtands picking his Fingers and rubbing his Noſe to reckon how long it is to Term-time; which whether they underſtand Aſtronomy or not, it is not to be queſtion'd but every Day they riſe, they know as well how many Weeks and Days it is to Term begins, as the Scholars do how long it is to *Eaſter* or *Whitſuntide* for the ſake of breaking up in the Holidays, ſome for Profit, ſome for Pleaſure, every one to his Buſineſs.

Full Moon the 4 Day, at 9 in the Morning.
Laſt Quarter the 11 Day, at 5 in the Afternoon.
New Moon the 19 Day, at 9 at Night.
Firſt Quarter the 27 Day, at 3 in the Morning.

1	a	Remigius	feet
2	b	Leodegar	toes
3	c	16 aft. Trin.	head
4	d	Gerrard ab	face
5	e	Placidus	neck
6	f	Faith. Virg.	throat
7	g	Juda	arms
8	a	Pelagia	ſhould.
9	b	Dennis	breaſt
10	c	17 aft. Trin.	and
11	d	K. G. II. cr.	ſtom.
12	e	Pius	heart
13	f	Wilfred	back
14	g	Calixtus	bowels
15	a	Severus	and
16	b	Gallas	belly
17	c	18 aft. Trin.	reins
18	d	S. Luke Evan	loins
19	e	Fridenſide	ſecrets
20	f	Fauſt. Virg.	ſecrets
21	g	11000 Virg.	ſecrets
22	a	Cordula	thighs
23	b	Term begins	hips
24	c	19 aft. Trin.	knees
25	d	Criſpin	hams
26	e	Amandus	legs
27	f	Florence	ancles
28	g	Sim. & Jude	feet
29	a	Narciſſus	toes
30	b	K. G. II. born	head
31	c	20 aft. Trin.	face

This Month the long Vacation's o'er,
And Lawyers go to Work once more;
With their Materials all provided,
That they may have the Cauſe decided.
The Plantiff he brings in his Bill,
He'll have the Cauſe coſt what it will,
Till afterwards comes the Defendant,
And is reſolv'd to make an end on't.
And having got all things in fitneſs,
Supply'd with Money and with Witneſs;
And makes a noble bold Defence,
Back'd with material Evidence.
The Proverb is, one Cauſe is good,
Until the other's underſtood.
They thunder out to little purpoſe,
With *Certiorari*, *Habeas Corpus*,
Their Replicando's, Writs of Error,
To fill the Peoples Hearts with Terror.
And if the Lawyer do approve it,
To Chancery they muſt remove it.
And then the two that were ſo warm,
Muſt leave it till another Term;
Till they go home and work for more,
To ſpend as they have done before.

Thoſe that have Money ſtill may chuſe
What ſort of Victuals they will uſe;
Tho there's no Mackerel nor Green Peaſe,
Yet now's the time for good fat Geeſe.

1	*This Month if you*	6 38	5 22	
2	*your Buſineſs mind,*	6 40	5 20	
3	*You opportunity may*	6 42	5 18	Thoſe that begun to
4	*find,*	6 44	5 16	court at *Valentine*'s-Day,
5	*To brew as much*	6 46	5 14	and have taken the Ad-
6	October *Beer,*	6 48	5 12	vantage of all the Summer
7	*To ſerve you drinking*	6 50	5 10	to continue it, and have fol-
8	*all the Year.*	6 52	5 8	low'd it cloſe in their walk-
9	Rainsborough	6 54	5 6	ing in the Fields, *&c.* it
10	*This Month great*	6 56	5 4	is now about time for
11	*Buſineſs is to do,*	6 58	5 2	them to marry, now the
12	*With* Criſpin *and my*	7 0	5 0	cold Winter is coming on;
13	*Lord Mayor's ſhow.*	7 2	4 58	for there is as much Plea-
14	Jack Adams	7 4	4 56	ſure to lie in Bed in a cold
15	Will. Say	7 6	4 54	froſty Morning, as there is
16	Tom the Barber	7 8	4 52	to walk in the Fields in a
17	Harriſon the Butcher	7 10	4 50	fine Summer Evening;
18	Scot the Brewer	7 12	4 48	and ſometimes one pro-
19	Cook the Solicitor	7 14	4 46	duces the other. Indeed it
20	Hughkins the Jeſter	7 16	4 44	is a greater ſign People
21	John Carew	7 18	4 52	marry for Love when they
22	John Jones	7 20	4 40	marry in Summer, be-
23	Adrian Scroop	7 22	4 38	cauſe it is not to keep one
24	Daniel Axtel	7 24	4 36	another warm; but marry
25	Joliv Criſpin	7 25	4 35	when they will, if they
26	*The Term is in,*	7 27	4 33	love one another, they
27	*the Lawyers fly*	7 29	4 31	will be content to lie toge-
28	*To* Weſtminſter	7 31	4 29	ther when once they have
29	Lord Mayor's day	7 33	4 27	been a while uſed to it.
30	*the Cauſe to try.*	7 34	4 26	
31	Phelps the Scribler	7 36	4 24	

Full Moon the 2 Day, at 9 at Night.
Laſt Quarter the 10 Day, at 2 in the Afternoon.
New Moon the 18 Day, at Noon.
Firſt Quarter the 25 Day, at 10 before Noon.

1	D	All Saints	neck
2	E	All Souls	and
3	F	Winefred	throat
4	G	Robertus	arms
5	A	Powder Plot	ſhould.
6	B	Winoch	breaſt
7	C	21 aft. Trin.	ſtom.
8	D	Claudius	heart
9	E	Theodorus	and
10	F	Evaſtus	back
11	G	Martin	bowels
12	A	Coſmie	belly
13	B	Rilian	reins
14	C	22 aft. Trin.	and
15	D	Felix	loins
16	E	Edmond	ſecret
17	F	Anianus	memb.
18	G	Gelaſius	thighs
19	A	Pontian	hips
20	B	Agapite	knees
21	C	23 aft. Trin.	hams
22	D	Cicily	legs
23	E	Clement	ancles
24	F	Chryſogon	feet
25	G	Cath	and
26	A	Linus	toes
27	B	Agricola	head
28	C	Advent Sund.	face
29	D	Term ends	neck
30	E	S. Andrew	throat

Perhaps if we ſhould nothing ſay
About Gun-powder Treaſon day;
The World would think we had for-
got
The horrid wicked Popiſh Plot;
When they deſign'd the fatal Fall,
Of Commons, Lords, and King and
all.
But Heaven did their Deſigns prevent,
And brought them to juſt Puniſhment.
Now fill up all your vacant Holes
With neceſſary Wood and Coals;
For now the Summer's heat is gone,
And ſurly Winter's coming on.
Beſides, the Chriſtmas time requires
(As well as Meat and Drink) good
Fires.
And things will take an awkward
turn,
If People nothing have to burn,
And the Affliction is as great,
If People nothing have to eat.
Therefore take care this Winter wea-
ther,
Have Meat, Drink, Fire, and all
together.

Talk what you will of Sallads and of Capon,
Give me a piece of good boil'd Beef or Bacon;
With Cabbage, or what elſe the World affords,
And good ſtrong Beer, I'd not make many words.

1	Nut-crack Night.	7	38	4	22
2	*The ſurly Cold*	7	39	4	21
3	*begins to pinch,*	7	41	4	19
4	*And makes the jolly*	7	42	4	18
5	*Sailor flinch.*	7	44	4	16
6	John Matthews	7	46	4	14
7	*This Month*	7	47	4	13
8	*things are ſo*	7	49	4	11
9	*brought about,*	7	51	4	9
10	*Both Weddings and*	7	52	4	8
11	James Challoner	7	54	4	6
12	*The Term goes out.*	7	55	4	5
13	John Dodſon	7	57	4	3
14	Iſaac Whiſtle	7	58	4	2
15	Robert Dun	8	0	4	0
16	Will Dell	8	1	3	59
17	*But do not let*	8	3	3	57
18	*the World complain,*	8	4	3	56
19	*For next Year they*	8	5	3	55
20	*come in again.*	8	7	3	53
21	James Blackſton	8	8	3	52
22	John Ven	8	9	3	51
23	Margery	8	10	3	50
24	Oliver Rub	8	11	3	49
25	John James	8	12	3	48
26	*But I am very*	8	12	3	48
27	*apprehenſive,*	8	13	3	47
28	*Both Law and*	8	13	3	47
29	*Marriage*	8	14	3	46
30	*is expenſive.*	8	14	3	46

Thoſe Men and Maids that after Courtſhip love one another ſo well that they intend to lie together at *Chriſtmas*, ſhould take care to marry this Month, for Weddings goes out on the twenty eighth Day, or elſe if you can ſtay till then, you may ſtay till the thirteenth of *January*, when Weddings come in again. Not that we think it unlawful to marry in that time, becauſe you may have a Licenſe for it, and there is no Licenſe for things that are unlawful; but a Licenſe is chargeable, and will coſt you as much as would buy you and your Bride a *Chriſtmas* Dinner,—— a Penny ſav'd is a Penny got.

Full Moon the 2 Day, at Noon.
Laſt Quarter the 10 Day, at Noon.
New Moon the 18 Day, at 1 in the Morning.
Firſt Quarter the 24 Day, at 7 at Night.

1	f	Clegius	arms
2	g	Candidus	ſhould.
3	a	Caſſian	breaſt
4	b	Barbara	and
5	C	2 in Advent	ſtom.
6	d	Nicholas	heart
7	e	Ambroſe	back
8	f	Concep. V.M.	bowels
9	g	Joachim	and
10	a	Malchiades	belly
11	b	Damaſus	reins
12	C	3 in Advent	loins
13	d	Valerius	ſecrets
14	e	Nicalius	ſecrets
15	f	Hilda	thighs
16	g	O ſapientia	and
17	a	Lazarus	hips
18	b	Chriſtopher	knees
19	C	4 in Advent	hams
20	d	Amon	legs
21	e	S. Thomas	ancles
22	f	Theodoſius	feet
23	g	Victoria	toes
24	a	Candy	head
25	b	Chriſtmas D.	face
26	C	St. Stephen	neck
27	d	St. John	throat
28	e	Innocents	arms
29	f	Jonathan	ſhould.
30	g	David	breaſt
31	a	Silveſter	ſtom.

Two ſorts of People we do find,
To different Sentiments inclin'd;
Some think, to ſpend the leaſt of time
In harmleſs Mirth muſt be a Crime.
Whilſt others on the other hand,
Do not on ſuch Punctilios ſtand;
But rather than be thought to blame,
Spend Day and Night to Drink and Game.
When they have play'd a Game or two,
To leave off then it will not do.
And if they play for Pot by Pot,
Till one the other's Crop has got;
If then the Winner goes away,
'Tis very cowardly they ſay;
But if when all their playing's done,
And neither of them loſt or won,
But when they come to pay the Shot,
Muſt equally club Pot for Pot;
Then hang it, let's have one Game more,
For who ſhall pay off all the Score.
'Tis this that makes Diverſion be a Crime,
Not harmleſs Mirth that is left off in time.

Who did not in the Summer Buſineſs mind,
Will very likely a dark *Chriſtmas* find;
For tho the Moon ſhine bright, a Man looks dull,
When Purſe is empty, and not Belly full.

1	Tho. Wogan	8	15	3	45
2	Vavafor Powel	8	16	3	44
3	Dirty Doll	8	17	3	43
4	James Gulvey	8	17	3	43
5	*Now go to Work*	8	18	3	42
6	*the Month's come in,*	8	18	3	42
7	*When merry* Chriſt-	8	18	3	42
8	mas *doth begin.*	8	19	3	41
9	Alderman Hoyle	8	19	3	41
10	Mun Prideaux	8	19	3	41
11	John Alured	8	19	3	41
12	*The time draws nigh*	8	19	3	41
13	*take care to get*	8	19	3	41
14	*The Plates and Diſhes*	8	19	3	41
15	*Pot and Spit.*	8	19	3	41
16	Will. Crawley	8	18	3	42
17	*But ſtill take care*	8	18	3	42
18	*when all is done,*	8	18	3	42
19	*You ſomething have*	8	17	3	43
20	*to put thereon.*	8	17	3	43
21	Henry Smith	8	16	3	44
22	*Or elſe you need not*	8	16	3	44
23	*fret about*	8	15	3	45
24	*A Maid to waſh*	8	14	3	46
25	*the Diſhes out.*	8	14	3	46
26	*We wiſh good Meat,*	8	13	3	47
27	*good Ale and Beer,*	8	13	3	48
28	*Good* Chriſtmas *and*	8	12	3	48
29	*a good new Year.*	8	11	3	49
30	Fare you well.	8	10	3	50
31		8	9	3	51

It is likely to be a light *Chriſtmas*, when the Moon ſhines in the Evening; and if it is deep Snow and hard Froſt, it will be a cold *Chriſtmas*: but good Fire, and good ſtrong Liquor may make it a warm *Chriſtmas* for all that; and if Money comes in plentifully, and People feaſt generouſly, and the Muſick play cheerfully, and People drink heartily, it is like to be a merry *Chriſtmas*; but when the Moon caſts no Light, nor People have no Money, nor the Baker, Butcher or Brewer will give no Credit; when a Man has no Victuals at Home, nor invited to none Abroad, this makes a dark *Chriſtmas*.

A Light Chriſtmas.

By the Day.	By the Week.			By the Month.			By the Year.		
Pence.	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
1	0	0	7	0	2	4	1	10	5
2	0	1	2	0	4	8	3	0	10
3	0	1	9	0	7	0	4	11	3
4	0	2	4	0	9	4	6	1	8
5	0	2	11	0	11	8	7	12	1
6	0	3	6	0	14	0	9	2	6
7	0	4	1	0	16	4	10	12	11
8	0	4	8	0	18	8	12	3	4
9	0	5	3	1	1	0	13	13	9
10	0	5	10	1	3	4	15	4	2
11	0	6	5	1	5	8	16	14	9
Shillings.									
1	0	7	0	1	8	0	18	5	0
2	0	14	0	2	16	0	36	10	0
3	1	1	0	4	4	0	54	15	0
4	1	8	0	5	12	0	73	0	0
5	1	15	0	7	0	0	91	5	0
6	2	2	0	8	8	0	109	10	0
7	2	9	0	9	16	0	127	15	0
8	2	16	0	11	4	0	146	0	0
9	3	3	0	12	12	0	164	5	0
10	3	10	0	14	0	0	182	10	0
11	3	17	0	15	8	0	200	15	0
12	4	4	0	16	16	0	219	0	0
13	4	11	0	18	4	0	237	5	0
14	4	18	0	19	12	0	255	10	0
15	5	5	0	21	0	0	273	15	0
16	5	12	0	22	8	0	292	0	0
17	5	19	0	23	16	0	310	5	0
18	6	6	0	25	4	0	328	10	0
19	6	13	0	26	12	0	346	15	0
20	7	0	0	28	0	0	365	0	0

The prudent People that are in their Senſes,
May by this Table limit their Expences;
But thoſe are poorly like to be provided,
Who ſpend at Random, and will not be guided.

POOR-ROBIN, 1731.

A

PROGNOSTICATION

For the Year of our Lord God 1731

WHEREIN

You have an Account of all the Eclipſes of all Sorts and Sizes, viſible and inviſible, and what is likely to happen after the Courtſhip of a Couple that Love one another by conſent, and have got a little Money.

Calculated to the Meridian of all honeſt merry Hearts, and writ in their Language; and fitted to all Latitudes in the temperate Zone, where People are neither hot with Paſſion, nor cold with Envy; and where the Pole is elevated Ninety Degrees above Scandal and Detraction.

Though like our Brethren, we conſult the Stars,
We meddle not with either Peace or Wars.
We do not reach ſo high as Politicks,
Nor yet ſo low as little Juggling Tricks.
We tell you when each Quarter doth begin,
When Lent *goes out, and* Chriſtmas *does come in.*
And many other Things that will befal,
We tell as true, as any of them all.

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A Table ſhewing the Time of *High-Water*, at the following Places.

Moon's Age.	London, Tinmouth Hartlepool. Amſterdam.		Graveſend. Downs. Blackneſs. Scilly.		Rocheſter. Malden. Aberdeen. Blacktayl,		Queenboro' Southo Portſmouth Sheerneſs	
	H.	M.	H.	M	H.	M.	H	M.
1	16	3 48	2	18	1	33	12	48
2	17	4 36	3	6	2	21	1	36
3	18	5 24	3	54	3	9	2	24
4	19	6 12	4	42	3	57	3	12
5	20	7 0	5	30	4	45	4	0
6	21	7 48	6	18	5	33	4	48
7	22	8 36	7	6	6	21	5	36
8	23	9 24	7	54	7	9	6	24
9	24	10 12	8	42	7	57	7	12
10	25	11 0	9	30	8	45	8	6
11	26	11 48	10	18	9	33	8	44
12	27	12 36	11	6	10	21	9	8
13	28	1 24	11	54	11	9	10	20
14	29	2 12	12	42	11	57	11	1
15	30	3 0	1	30	12	45	12	30

The Uſe of this Table.

FIND the Moon's Age in the firſt Column (which if before the Full, you have in the firſt Row, but if after the Full in the latter Row) then againſt that, and under the Place propoſed, you have the Hour and Minute of *High-Water*.

Example.

THE Moon being 8 Days old, I deſire to know what Time it will be High-Water at *Portſmouth*? Look under Moons Age for 8, and againſt it under *Portſmouth* (which is over the laſt Column) you have 6 Hours 24 Minutes, the Time of High-Water required.

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The Explanation of the Almanack.

IN the Firſt Page, you have the Title of the Almanack, in which, we do not act like ſome of the Empyricks or Quack-Doctors, who have a Light over the Door in an Evening to ſhew you the Houſe, but no body to ſhew you the Man: Or, like the celebrated *A. Moore*, near St. *Paul's*, who ſells almoſt as many Books as *Finis* has been Author of, and yet no body can find either him or his Shop; but we put our Name and Title in print boldly, no body ever yet envying our undoubted Right to it, and ſure they were no Fools but exquiſite Prognoſticators, who firſt chriſten'd us by that Name, for Poets have commonly as much Right to be poor, as Miſers, Extortioners, and Uſurers, have to be rich, but with this Advantage, that what little the Poets have, is with Innocency and a good Conſcience, and they can enjoy it merrily and ſleep quietly.

The Almanack needs not much explaining, becauſe it is in *Engliſh*, and he that can read *Engliſh*, can read this, and will find (as uſual) Month-days, Week days, Sundays, Saints days, Feaſt-days, Faſt-days, Term-days, Dog-days, Holy days, Working-days, Long days, Short-days, Wet-days, Dry-days, *&c.* and with this pleaſant Variety, we ſpend all the Year, every Day in the Year being ſome of the Days before-mentioned.

The reſt of the Almanack is moſtly taken up with what to Eat, what to Drink, what to Do, when to Work, when to Play, how to ſpend Money; and ſhort, how to do almoſt every thing but get Money, that being your Care; and if you can do that, here is Directions for all the reſt.

See in the Market what you pleaſe to buy,
But firſt remember, Money is the cry.
See in the Tavern what you pleaſe to Drink,
But when you're going, Don't forget the Chink.
Eat boil'd or roaſt, or drink good Wine or Beer,
But, Money recommends you every where.

Since there's Twelve Signs, Man's Body we divide,
Into Twelve Parts, that so we may provide,
Each Sign a proper Share, as you may know,
If you consult the Verses down below:
But had there been more Signs, we must have cut,
The Pieces smaller, that they might hold out.

The ANATOMY.

The Head *and* Face, *by* Aries *govern'd are,*
The Bull *has no thing but* Jack Ketch's *share.*
The Shoulders, Elbows, Fingers, *and the* Thumbs,
To Gemini; *while crawling* Cancer *comes,*
To claim the Breast; *and* Leo *owns the* Heart,
And Virgo *owns the* Belly *for her Part.*
And next to her, comes Libra, Reins *and* Loins,
To which the Fore-end *the angry* Scorpion *joins:*
Which hath such Influence we do not care
To Geld our Lambs *or* Hogs, *the* Moon *being there.*
To Sagittarius, Thighs; *the* Knees *the* Goat,
The Legs *and* Shins, *the* Water-Bearers *lot:*
And lastly, to the Fishes, Feet *and* Toes,
To Aries, Head *and* Face, *about it goes.*

Of

Of the Eclipſes *this Year* 1731.

A Viſible Eclipſe of the Moon is cauſed by the Earth's interpoſing between the Sun and the Moon: A viſible Eclipſe of the Sun, is cauſed by the Moon's paſſing between the Sun and the Earth; but the inviſible Eclipſe of the Sun, is cauſed by both Moon and Earth coming between the Sun and us: and there is another ſort of an Eclipſe, which is cauſed by the Body of the Earth coming between the Sun and that ſide of the Earth we live upon, and of thoſe, we have 365 every Year; but they are ſo well known to every Labourer that Works by the Day, that we need not enlarge upon them.

Nor are we able to predict thoſe numerous Eclipſes which happen in thoſe Latitudes where ſtrong Liquor is elevated into the Zenith, while the Perſon himſelf is depreſs'd as low as the Horizon, and laid parallel to the Surface of the Earth till his Senſes return. Doubtleſs ſuch Perſons might ſoon be brought to be Zealous Aſſertors of the Copernican Syſtem, who think every thing turns round, while themſelves lie ſtill. Indeed, it might reaſonably have been ſuppoſed, theſe Eclipſes would not have been ſo frequent after Madam *Gin* was ſilenc'd; but if it was made Death by the Law for a Man to kill himſelf, yet ſome would hazard it, rather than be deprived of their beloved Stingo.

Ill Company, if it be follow'd long,
Procures a vicious Habit, that's ſo ſtrong,
That tho' the Action, or the Conſequence,
Be both ungrateful, ſome Men will diſpence,
Both with the Pain that doth the firſt attend,
And with the ſhame that follows in the End.

But leaſt our Reader ſhould think we are Eclipſed in making this Digreſſion, the real Eclipſes are as follows:

The firſt Eclipſe is of the Moon, on *Wenſday* the 9th of *June*, and though it is but a ſmall Eclipſe, yet becauſe it is all that we have viſible this year, we muſt make the beſt of it, and ſhall therefore give you the Calculation as follows.

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Beginning *June* the 9th.	1	12	in the Morning
Middle	1	55	
End	2	37	
Total Duration	1	25	
Digits Eclipsed	1	52	

This Eclipse falls in *Sagittarius*, a Fiery Sign, and as it happens at a hot time of the Year, intimates, that some by hard Working, and others perhaps by hard Drinking, will be thirsty. But there are several sorts of Persons who ought to be very cautious of too frequent Application to the Tavern or Alehouse (much less to the Gin-Shop) to allay the heat of their Stomachs, and that for various Reasons; for the Man that has a great deal of Work upon his Hands, should not waste his Time, least he neglect and disappoint his Business, and so like a good Contriver, *Kill two Birds with one Stone*, viz. Both lose the Money, and disoblige his Customers.

No Wonder if a Man is quickly broke,
Who thus will give himself a fatal Stroke.

Secondly, he that has no Business to do, nor any Way to get Money without Working, should not be much at the Alehouse, because he cannot afford it, except 'tis with an extraordinary Care to spend his Money before he get it.

His Conduct would be thought but very silly,
Who eats the Calf that is in the Cow's Belly.

Thirdly, a Man that has neither Money nor Credit, has no great Business at the Alehouse, and such is the prudent Care of most of our Landladies, that they give little Encouragement to such Customers, but instead of that——

Lo, Why do you stand there, stand off, I pray,
You see you are directly in my way.

But if the World gives a favourable Turn, and the Man comes with good Cloaths upon his Back, and Money in his Pocket;

He, honest such a one, how do you do?
I fear, last Monday I affronted you:
I was in such a Passion, that I know,
I could have struck at every one I saw.

M)

My Maid had vex'd me, for the ſaucy Slut,
With Careleſſneſs, had broke the Chamber Pot.
I vex'd that I was ſerv'd in ſuch a faſhion,
Did ſcold, but Sir, you will excuſe my Paſſion.
Sit down Sir, if you want a Pot of Beer,
There's none has better than you may have here.
Thus with a Wheedle, all the Quarrel ends,
And hopes of ready Money, makes them Friends.

But there is a fourth ſort that ought not to be too buſy at the Tavern, tho' they may a little better afford it than the reſt, and that is, Gentlemen of competent Eſtates; for if even ſuch live but a little above their Income, the Lawyer muſt be conſulted to get a little Money upon the Eſtate; and tho' it is done privately that no body is to know, yet *Noverint Univerſi per preſentes*, begins the Game, and *Know all Men by theſe Preſents*, is the great Secret. Well, *Teneri et firmiter obligari*, has not reign'd long, till both the Money and Intereſt becomes due; and rather than have the dreadful Name of Intereſt upon Intereſt, take up a little more Money to pay that, *Rob Peter to pay Paul*, borrow Money to get out of Debt, and if this is continued, the Lawyer ſtands fair to be next Heir, let who will be the eldeſt Son, for a Lawyer creeping into an Eſtate, is like a Cat creeping in at a ſmall Hole, if either of them get their Head in, they will ſoon make their Body follow.

And when the Land is gone, the Man looks dull,
It was his Purſe, but now his Heart is full.
He may take Time to think which way it went,
And how the Money came, and how 'twas ſpent.
And for his Pleaſure, in his paſſing by,
Can only view it with a wiſhful Eye.
And when 'tis gone, that none of it remain,
Can promiſe, ne're to do the like again.
Poor Poets Trade not very much this way,
Not having Money wherewithal to pay.
Or, which will prove the Truth of this as well,
Few, very few of them have Land to ſell.

But we muſt not forget the reſt of the Eclipſes, for tho' they are not viſible in *England*, yet they will be to be ſeen ſome where; and the ſecond Eclipſe is of the Sun, on the 23d of *June*, early in the Morning, and not viſible in *England*; it happens on Midſummer-Eve, the very Day on which the Wonder-working Female Fern is to be gather'd, to help young Men and Maids to Sweet-Hearts, *&c.* but I am afraid, if they have no better Succeſs than the Moſaical Rods are found to have, in finding hidden Treaſure, the longing Lovers may live in as much want as thoſe Conjurers, who, while they pretend to find hidden Treaſure for others, cannot find Neceſſaries for themſelves.

Like ſome pretended Quack *that has found out,*
Some Grand Specifick Medicine for the Gout;
Which never fails' and that you may be ſure,
They tell you, that No Money, if no Cure
And leſt you ſhould not find the Door by Night,
They tell you, 'tis diſtinguiſh'd by a Light,
And when by this Means you have found him out,
You ſometimes find him grunting with the Gout.

But the third Eclipſe is of the Moon, on the 2d of *December*, near 11 in the Forenoon; and the 4th and laſt, is of the Sun, on the 18th of *December* about One in the Morning, and both inviſible.

For the Eclipſes, we conclude them here,
And come to the Four Quarters of the Year;

Of the Spring Quarter.

We need not make any Apology for inſerting a Scheme, for as it has always been our Cuſtom, it would rather have required an Apology if we had left it out; and beſides, altho' we can tell any thing without a Scheme as well as with it, yet if People would not believe us ſo well without it, they would not like the Almanack ſo well; and if ſo, we ſhould not ſell ſo many of them, and then we might eaſily predict (without a Scheme as well as with it) that we ſhould not get ſo much Money by it; and therefore, if you

you take our Argumsnt right, we can tell without a Scheme that it is better with one:

For these two Things we always have in view,
To benefit our selves, and pleasure you.

	☿ Mercury.	
	One Thousand Seven hundred AND Just the Game.	♄ Saturn.

We find no Conjunctions or Oppositions in this Scheme, Peace and Quietness, three Meals a Day and a Supper at Night, is good hearing, and among those that have it, 'tis a Sign of a plentiful Year, and a peaceable Time; and yet some, rather than be quiet when they may, will Fight as it were in Effigy, and employ their Paper-Weapons, and Paper Sculls too, to make the World think them Politicians: Ho, such a one spoke home to the purpose, says one; yes, says

ſays a contrary Party, and the other anſwer'd him as nicely, and gave him a cutting Stroke; like two Cocks upon a Dunghill, who fight as heartily as if ſomebody cared for 'em, or as if ſome Matter of Conſequence was to be determined by the Succeſs of their Battle; when alas! if but a good luſty Cat appears, their Courage is gone, and they both run and hide themſelves, and he that would have been thought the beſt Fighter, is ſo bewitch'd in a Fog, that he may be heard to Crow, but dare not ſhew his Head.

'Tis like two Dogs that's barking at the Moon,
As if they did intend to pull her down:
Or make the World believe, ſhe did not know,
Without their barking Noiſe, which way to go,
When as alas! ſhe ne're regards the Matter,
Nor will ſhe ſet the ſooner or the later.
And when they're wearied with their needleſs potter,
They let her go, and bark at one another.
Sometimes there is ſome little Cur appears,
Whips up his Leg, and Cocks up Tail and Ears:
He piſſeth, barks and ſcratches, which, when done,
Seeing nothing worth his while, away doth run.

The Day that the Sun enters *Aries*, *Mercury* is in the Mid-Heaven, but he ſtays not long there, before he comes down, and in a little Time, he is under the Earth; *A ſudden Change in ſo nimble a Planet, the World is full of Viciſſitudes, we are here to-day, and gone to-morrow*, as the Shoe-maker ſaid when he was going to run away, Care and *Caution* in Moderation, may do well, but there ought to be Reaſon in every thing, and ſure it is an *Over-Caution* for a Man to be ſo afraid of doing himſelf any Harm, that he reſolves he will never do any body any good.

All Men ſhould Cautious *be, how they expoſe,*
Themſelves to ſerve ſuch Cautious *Men as theſe.*
He that's ſo Cautious, *he'll not wet his Foot,*
When one is in a Bog, to help him out.
If that ſame Cautious Man *ſhould tumble in,*
Beſmear'd with Water to the Breaſt or Chin,
There leave him in, as he left you before,
And Cautious *be, that he come there no more.*

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We find Leaden-heel'd *Saturn* in the Seventh, in Oppoſition to the Aſcendant, which ſignifies, that Charity will be as cold amongſt Miſers, as the Froſt is in Chriſtmas-Holidays; but there is no great Diſappointment to receive no Favour from them, from whom none was expected. If we petition a Hog, what can we expect but a grunt; but the Diſappointment is greater, when we expect a Favour from one, who in common Converſation, is perpetually preaching Lectures in praiſe of Charity, and hates to hear of a Man being ſneaking and ungenteel; and yet, do but deſire a preſent Favour, that would not be a Farthing Loſs to him, has a Turn ready, that he is ſorry he cannot do it, but he has either promiſed his Wife, or ſombody has abuſed his Favours, and provoked him to make a Vow, that he will never Lend, Truſt, nor be Security, *&c.* (which in other Language is, That he is bound never to do good) but in any thing elſe he would be glad to ſerve you. Nay, let it come lower, to a poor Perſon coming to the Door of one of thoſe Advocates of Charity, that are only outwardly ſo, and what a genteel Turn they find, *I do not value the Money to give, but it is an ill Precedent, it encourages* Idleneſs, *&c.* and perhaps, at laſt, pulls out a Halfpenny, and gives ſo much to be rid of the Importunity, but gives no more, leſt the Perſon ſhould come again,

Whether there's Charity *in this, or no,*
All Circumſtances weigh'd, 'tis hard to know.
Yet this 'tis known, if his Deſign was more,
To help the Creature indigent and poor,
The Thing was Charity, *but if it be,*
Only to quit the Importunity,
He thought the Money better ſpent than ſpar'd,
And this can never merit much Reward.

But when a Perſon readily and cheerfully communicates a valuable Favour in Time of Neceſſity, without any previous Obligation, or any View of future Advantage, that is a generous Action, and ſuch an Inſtance is to be produc'd, and ought always to be acknowledg'd with the utmoſt Expreſſions of Gratitude.

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In ſuch a Caſe, the leaſt a Man can do,
Is, to be honeſt, and to be thankful too.
And, tho' he cannot give a great Reward,
His grateful Thanks will meet the ſame Regard.

Of the Summer Quarter.

THIS is the moſt warm, dry, pleaſant and profitable Quarter of all the Year, and if we could take the ſame Liberty with this Quarter, that the Lawyers take with Trinity-Term and Vacation, to make it a little longer than the reſt; and let it begin one Week ſooner, we could have taken in Whitſuntide, and then this merry, plentiful Quarter, would have furniſh'd us with Whitſun Holidays for Servants and Apprentices to play, and for Maſters to ride Abroad, altho' too much riding may not be agreeable, leaſt Gentlemen ride away from their Eſtates, and Tradeſmen from their Shops, and cannot find the Way to them again,

Such rides as theſe, I cannot recommend,
They ſet out briſk, but look dull in the End.
Like Pacalot's *Machine, that made of Wood,*
But if it be not rightly underſtood,
They turn the Pin the quite contrary way,
And when they ſhould come home, are forc'd to ſtay.

But moderate Diverſion and Exerciſe, is not only allowable, but commendable, and why ſhould a Maſter be more Slave than his Apprentice, who will not only command a Holiday at Whitſuntide, but plead Preſcription for it too.

They take it as a Privilege entail'd,
When they demand, and Cuſtom has prevail'd.

But beſides Whitſuntide for Holidays, there is in this Quarter, Term-time for the Lawyers; but altho' this be a long Term, yet the Enjoyment of it is very much eclips'd by the mortifying Thoughts of the approaching long Vacation. The Lawyers Winter begins very ſoon, and the Doctor is his Fellow-Sufferer, for People are ſo afraid of purging, Bleeding, and others of the Doctors Operations and Performances, during Dog-Days and Midſummer-Moon (both which

which happen in this Quarter) that during that Seaſon, the Doctor's Purſe is almoſt as light as the Lunatick's Brains, neither of them ſolid enough to conduct their Maſter to Market, or qualify him to perform his Buſineſs when there.

For if a Man to Market go,
And has no Coin at all,
His Credit muſt be veey great,
Or Allowance very ſmall.
For if, when he comes at the Place,
No Money he has got,
He likely muſt come home before,
He drinks his Market-Pot.

But ſetting aſide theſe Mortifications, this Quarter affords us Cherries for the Ladies, Green Peaſe and Mackrel for thoſe that love them, and Peaches, Nectorans, and Apricocks for thoſe that can afford to buy them. Here is Hay-time for the Farmer, and Harveſt for the Plow-Man, *&c* which brings us to

The Autumn, or Harveſt Quarter.

IT is difficult to know why this is called the Harveſt Quarter, ſeeing moſt of the Hay and Corn is generally got in before this Quarter begins, which is about the 12th of *September*, and may be known by the Sun's riſing at ſix and ſetting at ſix.——E're this Quarter begin, the Trees are generally robb'd of a great part of their Fruit, and e're the End of it, of their Leaves too. This Quarter the Doctor's Buſineſs is revived, and the Lawyers Term begins, all Hands at Work, ſome bleeding the Body to prevent Diſtempers, and ſome the Purſe to prevent Superfluity; ſome of the Doctors have improved Sympathy to that Degree, that they as it were, cure and take Money by Proxy, and leſt they ſhould be call'd to account for Deficiency, conceal their Names, and are only known by their Signs, and like an *Ignis fatuus*, or *Will with the Whiſp*, by the Light they ſhew at their Door in an Evening.

And hence proceeds this seeming Paradox,
Some of our famous Empyricks *and* Quacks,
Who speak of Cures perform'd by them alone,
Are noted, chiefly for their not being known.
Thus from the Harvest Quarter *we descend,*
To surly Winter, and so make an End.

Of the Winter Quarter.

IT may be thought unkind, that we should bring you to the cold, frozen, surly Winter, and there leave you, blowing your Nails till another Year, but there is something to be said for the Justice of our Proceedings, for there we left you last Year, and there we found you this; we have Prescription for leaving you where we always did, and there is Honesty in leaving you where we found you; and 'tis hop'd the Coldness of the Season, will be compensated by good old merry Christmas, which luckily happens when the Harvest is in, the Corn sown, the Days short, the Nights long, the Weather cold and dirty, and (all Things consider'd) People have little to do but keep Holidays, nor could they do much if they would.

We wish you Health and good Fires, Victuals, Drink and good Stomachs, Innocent Diversion, and good Company, honest Trading, and good Success, loving Courtship and good Wives, and lastly, a merry Christmas, and happy New-Year.

Trades and Professions continued.

Of the Ale-Draper.

AS soon as Customers *begin to stir,*
The Admiral of the Blue, cry's Coming Sir.
Or if grown fat, the Mate his Place supplies,
And says, 'Tis not my Master's Time to rise.
Of all our Trades, the Tapster is the best,
He has more Men at Work than all the rest.

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The Taylors, Weavers, Coblers, *all agree,*
That Madam Coming Sir, *maintain'd muſt be,*
When Money they receive, they do intend,
So much to keep the Houſe, ſo much to ſpend.
Nay, ſome Men are ſo hoſpitable grown,
They keep the Ale-Wife *better than their own.*
Spend Time and Money both to play at Skittles,
When Wife and Child have neither Drink nor Victuals.
It is impoſſible this Trade ſhould ſink,
Becauſe, They buy their Bread by ſelling Drink.
And in their Conduct, vaſtly differ here,
From thoſe, Who ſell their Land to buy Strong Beer.
But if my Landlord proud and huffing grow,
We're like him better for behaving ſo.
The Proverb is, Pride goes before a Fall,
And then, ſomtimes, the Brewer pays for all.

Of the Phyſician.

THE next that mounts the Stage, is the Phyſician,
To feel your Pulſe, *and ask of your* Condition.
And if you're coſtive, then a Purge is good;
To cleanſe the Body, and to cool the Blood.
But if you're Laxative, then Purge be ſure,
To carry off the Cauſe, and make a Cure.
But follow my Preſcription, I'll be bound,
To cure him, or I'll loſe a hundred Pound.
If he recovers, and can go Abroad,
Then Mr. Doctor *will himſelf applaud,*
I knew, tho' dangerous, that I his Life did ſave,
And none but I, the Great Arcana *have.*
But if he dies, I knew he could not live,
To pleaſe his Wife, ſome Medicines I did give.
But here's the Caſe, tho' I'd not have it told,
He drank too hard, or elſe he catch'd ſome Cold.
Thus, if he lives, the Doctor *ſav'd his Life,*
But if he dies, 'tis his Fault or his Wife.
Great Cures (*tho' few*) *there's* Proclamation *made,*
But kill they ne're ſo oft, there's nothing ſaid.

Of

Of the Apothecary.

When once the Doctor *doth appear,*
The Apothecary *must be near.*
To bring us in some cooling Simples,
To cure the Face, that's full of Pimples.
To warm the Heart, and cool the Blood,
And bring us Things to do us good.
If Mistress Purle is in a Fever,
He'll cool her Courage, e're he leave her.
He tells you Things that hot or cold,
And fit to take for young or old.
Narcotick Opium, *makes one Sleep,*
And cutting Onions, *make one weep.*
The Aniseeds, *expells the Wind,*
Both up before, and down behind.
Right-hand Root, Mustard, *makes one wink,*
And too much Leeks, will make one Stink.
The Cordial Saffron, *cheers the Heart.*
Green Pease, *and* Cabbage, *makes one F——t.*
A Purging Thing in Season taken, will do good,
If you are sore for Physick, *some for* Food.
But yet, if you will take my Advice,
Where I'd purge once, I'd fill my Belly twice.
With this, we think 'tis time to finish here,
In hopes to Salute you all another Year.
Long Seventeen Years, this very Book doth make,
Since we this Almanack *did undertake.*
Our Aim is to oblige our selves, and you,
No other Scheme we ever had in view.

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